GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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ALLOTMENT OF LAND FOR WAR MEMORIAL
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Defence has requested the Ministry Urban Development to allot land for the War Memorial;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time since when the matter is pending with the Ministry of Urban Development; and

(d) the time by which the final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SAUGATA ROY)

(a) to (c): The issue of location of land for National War Memorial dates back to the early 1970s. Earlier, approximately 32 acres of land was handed over to the Ministry of Defence in 1984 at Dhaula Kuan. However, the War Memorial could not be erected at that site. The Ministry of Defence has moved a proposal for assigning land to it at India Gate Complex around the 'Chhatri' for the purpose of constructing the Memorial in January,2009.

(d): The time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard cannot be indicated in view of the administrative issues involved.